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- - Intensive work was proceeding in October 1948 on the Berlin-Kaulsdorf-Grilnau-Schönafeld-Mittenwalde-Dabendorf-Zossen-Jüterbog-Potsdam railroad line. This necessitates the building of two bridges over the Spree at Grunau and the relaying of the Mittenwalde-Dabendorf-Zossen track. Work was to be completed on a single track by 15 December 1948 at latest.
 - It is stated that the object of this construction is to make possible the cutting off of power from the "S-Bahn" in the western sectors of Berlin. Confirmation of the above was received from an independent, reliable source who also stated that the relaying of the railroad line from Zossen to Mittenwalds was to be completed by 15 December 1948 at the latest.
 - An order from General Kvashnin decreed that 6.5 kilometers of new line were to be laid and that 5 kilometers of light track were to be replaced by Type 6 track, which is capable of carrying Series 52 locomotives.

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